



MY NEXT MOVE

Pharmacy Technicians

Also called: Pharmacy Technician, Certified Pharmacy Technician (CPhT), IV Certified Pharmacy Technician, Pharmaceutical Care Associate

What they do:

Prepare medications under the direction of a pharmacist. May measure, mix, count out, label, and record amounts and dosages of medications.

On the job, you would:

- Receive written prescription or refill requests and verify that information is complete and accurate.
- Establish and maintain patient profiles, including lists of medications taken by individual patients.
- Maintain proper storage and security conditions for drugs.

KNOWLEDGE

Business

- customer service
- administrative services

Math and Science

- arithmetic, algebra, geometry, calculus, or statistics

Arts and Humanities

- English language

Engineering and Technology

- computers and electronics

SKILLS

Basic Skills

- listening to others, not interrupting, and asking good questions
- reading work related information

Problem Solving

- noticing a problem and figuring out the best way to solve it

ABILITIES

Verbal

- listen and understand what people say
- read and understand what is written

Math

- add, subtract, multiply, or divide
- choose the right type of math to solve a problem

Ideas and Logic

- notice when problems happen
- group things in different ways

PERSONALITY

People interested in this work like activities that include **data, detail,** and regular routines.

They do well at jobs that need:

- **Attention to Detail**
- **Integrity**
- **Concern for Others**
- **Cooperation**
- **Dependability**
- **Self Control**

TECHNOLOGY

You might use software like this on the job:

Medical software

- Compounder software
- Patient record maintenance software

Inventory management software

- Cardinal Health Pyxis CII Safe

Data base user interface and query software

- Database software
- Drug compatibility software

EDUCATION



**some college or
high school diploma**
usually needed

JOB OUTLOOK



New job opportunities are **very likely** in the future.

SALARY:

\$28,070

per year, on average

EXPLORE MORE

- Animal Breeders
- Cardiovascular Technologists & Technicians
- Dental Assistants
- Medical Secretaries
- Opticians, Dispensing

You might like a career in one of these industries:

- Retail
- Health & Counseling

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